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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
John E. EBY et al.)
Application No.: 09/287,631) Group Art Unit: 1732
Filed: April 7, 1999) Examiner: A. Kuhns
For: SURFACE COVERINGS HAVING)
A NATURAL APPEARANCE AND)
METHODS TO MAKE A SURFACE)
COVERING HAVING A NATURAL)
APPEARANCE)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of November 5, 2002. A fee of \$930.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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